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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION

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SIR:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application dated May 28, 2004, (copy attached) submitted herewith is an executed Declaration and Power of Attorney.

Although the Notice requires proof of authority under Rule 1.44, this rule has been removed and MPEP 409.1(b) states that such proof is no longer required.

A three-month extension of time from July 28, 2004 to October 28, 2004 is hereby requested.

A check in the amount of \$1,110.00 is attached for the Government fees (extension of time fee of \$980.00 and late filing surcharge of \$130.00), however, please charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1088.

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Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below. however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fee(s) required for this application is \$130 for a Large Entity

• \$130 Late oath or declaration Surcharge.

Items Required To Avoid Processing Delays:

The item(s) indicated below are also required and should be submitted with any reply to this notice to avoid further processing delays.

- A new oath or declaration, identifying this application number is required. The oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.63 in that it:
- does not identify the citizenship of each inventor.
- Proof of authority of the legal representative under 37 CFR 1.44.

Replies should be mailed to: Mail Stop Missing Parts Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria VA 22313-1450

A copy of this notice <u>MUST</u> be returned with the reply.

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